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Dear Mr. Pierce:

This is a final response to your 7 September 2018 Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request for **a copy of the unclassified October 2013 OSC report entitled "Mexico: Anarchist Groups Reportedly Targeting Police Officers, Disseminating Photos on Social Media."** We processed your request in accordance with the FOIA, 5 U.S.C. § 552, as amended, and the CIA Information Act, 50 U.S.C. § 3141, as amended.

We completed a thorough search for records responsive to your request and located one document, consisting of three pages, that we can release in segregable form with deletions made on the basis of FOIA exemption (b)(3). A copy of the document and an explanation of exemptions are enclosed. Exemption (b)(3) pertains to information exempt from disclosure by statute. The relevant statutes are Section 6 of the Central Intelligence Agency Act of 1949, as amended, and Section 102A(i)(l) of the National Security Act of 1947, as amended. As the CIA Information and Privacy Coordinator, I am the CIA official responsible for this determination. You have the right to appeal this response to the Agency Release Panel, in my care, within 90 days from the date of this letter. Please include the basis of your appeal.

If you have any questions regarding our response, you may contact us at:

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Sincerely,



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Enclosures

Explanation of Exemptions

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(U) Mexico: Anarchist Groups Reportedly Targeting Police Officers, Disseminating Photos on Social Media

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(U) [Report by Arturo Angel: "Anarchists, On the Hunt for Police Officers."]

(U) Note: The translation below is machine based with limited editorial intervention.

(U) Anarchists have started to target the police. Over the weekend, anarchist cells have published photographs, in social networks, of the Grenadiers [armored anti-riot police unit] chief of Mexico City's Public Security Secretariat (SSPDF) and of an alleged undercover cop. They have asked their followers to disseminate these images in order to identify them.

(U) This is the second time they showing a photograph pinpointing a specific public official. The first one was SSPDF Undersecretary Luis Rosales Gamboa who, on October 2, was recognized, attacked and injured by a group of anarchists.

(U) In the last year, after every protest that ends with acts of violence, anarchist groups have used different profiles in social networks and blogs to highlight what they consider to be police abuse. They often load photographs and their own videos, or some images of their supporters participating in these rallies.

(U) Nevertheless, over several months they have identified "specific objectives," which they pinpoint by posting their photograph, together with their name or a nickname.

(U) Although profile operators do not publicly provide clear instructions to cause them harm, there are some messages of hatred and threats posted by those who look at the images.

(U) This was the case with Gamboa Rosales, identified as "Jefe Apolo" ["Apollo Boss,"]. Photographs of him were posted following incidents during Enrique Pena Nieto's inaugural ceremony, on December 1, and on September 1, Mexico's State of the Union address.

(U) Last Wednesday, the "veiled" threat actually became true, after a group of anarchists identified Gamboa's position along Paseo de la Reforma, and hurled firecrackers at him. The police chief ended with a cut head because the device fell over a meter away from where he stood.

(U) This weekend, the anarchists expanded their list of objectives. They have added two more police agents with several photographs, and have asked their members to copy this information.

(U) New "Targets"

(U) The cell known as Bloque Anarko Sur [South Anarko Bloc] has published four images of Metropolitan Police Chief, Armando Jimenez Palacios, second in command of the 2 October operation, only second to "Apolo." Out of all the photographs, in two he appears without glasses, in one wearing glasses, and the fourth one is a hand-drawn portrait.

(U) This leader has been identified by the anarchists both by his name and nickname, "Achilles." In the Facebook , entry they accuse him of "leading seven groups of grenadiers, of being a former Army member, and of being charged of human rights violations during an operation in Tepito."

(U) Neither the leader's name nor his nickname, "Achilles," had been published in the media. The Bloque Anarko Sur was the same cell that released the names of those arrested on October 2, including preliminary investigation identification numbers.

(U) On the other hand, the cell responsible for disseminating anarchist propaganda, known as "Grupo Anarquista DILE" ["TELL Anarchist Group"], disseminated photographs of an alleged undercover cop with the caption "WANTED." The

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